

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (currently amended) A process for incorporating ZnO particles in a cosmetic composition comprised of solid asymmetric particles, comprising:

Melting said solid asymmetric particles to form melted fatty acid;

Adding un-coated ZnO particles to said melted fatty acid to form a mixture of ZnO and fatty acid; wherein said ZnO is added in an amount of about 1 % to about 4 % by weight of said cosmetic composition;

Heating said mixture to a temperature of less than about 80°C for about 5 to about 10 minutes;

Cooling said to a temperature of about 50°C, thereby quenching any reaction between said ZnO and said fatty acid.

2. ~~(canceled) The process according to claim 1, wherein said ZnO is added in an amount of about 0.1 % to about 10 % by weight of said cosmetic composition.~~
3. ~~(canceled) The process according to claim 1, wherein said ZnO is added in an amount of about 1 % to about 4 % by weight of said cosmetic composition.~~

4. (original) The process according to claim 1, wherein said ZnO has a particle size diameter of less than about 500 nm.
5. (original) The process according to claim 1, wherein said ZnO has a particle size diameter of less than about 200 nm.
6. (original)The process according to claim 1, wherein said solid asymmetric particles are comprised of stearic acid.
7. (original)The process of claim 1, wherein said solid asymmetric particles comprise about 10 % to about 25 % by weight of said composition.
8. (original) The process of claim 1, wherein said heating temperature is about 60°C to about 70°C.
9. (original) The process of claim 1, wherein said ZnO reacts with said fatty acid and said reaction is controlled to a conversion of about 5 % to about 10 % of said ZnO.
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